

**SABIT GROUP PROGRAM****WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FOR CENTRAL ASIA****MARCH 12 – APRIL 9, 2005****DELEGATE BIOGRAPHIES****Nemat Abidshayev**

Deputy Director

Narin Syrdarya Basin Irrigation System

Namangan, Uzbekistan

Mr. Abidshayev is the General Director of the Narin Syrdarya Basin Irrigation System. His main responsibility is to plan the usage and maintain the irrigation and drainage infrastructure of Narin Syrdarya Basin System. He supervises 33 employees. His goals on the SABIT program are to learn about the work of Water User Associations in the United States and to become familiar with new irrigation systems.

Murtozkul Alimov

Principle Dispatcher

Lower Syrdarya Basin Irrigation System

Jizzak, Uzbekistan

Mr. Alimov is the Principle Dispatcher of the Lower Syrdarya Basin Irrigation System Management Office. His main responsibility is to serve as a liaison between the water providers and water users. He is actively involved in the work of local Water Users Associations. One of the challenges Mr. Alimov faces is the need to upgrade aging and obsolete equipment. One of his goals while on SABIT program is to learn about new technologies in the water industry.

Dowran Basarov

Senior Researcher

Turkmen State Water Research, Production and Design

Institute "Turkmensuvlymtaslama"

Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

Mr. Basarov is a Senior Research Scientist at the "Turkmensuvlymtaslama" Turkmen State Water Research, Production and Design Institute. The institute was founded in 1930 as a subdivision of the Turkmen Ministry of Water Economy. Mr. Basarov's main responsibility is to oversee daily field operations. He is also involved in research and development and hopes to learn about innovative techniques for agricultural development and apply them upon his return.

Kalamkas Duzbaeva

Leading Specialist

Water Resources Committee of the Ministry of Agriculture

Astana, Kazakhstan

Ms. Duzbaeva is the Leading Specialist on the Water Resources Committee of the Ministry of Agriculture of Kazakhstan. It is her responsibility to prepare proposals for additional funding for water resource projects, distribute materials and equipment to local companies, and prepare agreements with organizations from bordering republics. Ms. Duzbaeva works in the division, which coordinates activities in eight regions of Kazakhstan; she wants to learn about water-sharing issues in the United States.



Ashikmamut Ibraymov

Department Director
Rational Water Usage Department, Ministry of Agriculture
Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Mr. Ibraymov is the Department Director of the Rational Water Use Department of the Ministry of Agriculture in Uzbekistan's Karakalpakstan region. His daily activities include monitoring and coordinating activities of the Water Users Associations in the area. Mr. Ibraymov's challenges include adjusting the Water User Association fees to accommodate member resources. While on the SABIT program he wants to learn about the work of Water Users Associations in the United States.

Zair Jurabekov

Director
"Zarafshanloyiha" Private Company
Samarkand, Uzbekistan

Mr. Jurabekov is the Director of "Zarafshanloyiha," a private company, which provides water resource management services in the Zarafshan region. The main challenge of "Zarafshanloyiha" is the overall condition of the water resource system in the region. Mr. Jurabekov's goal for SABIT program training is receiving basic knowledge on project planning, pricing, handling water resources in areas with significant water shortages, and finding contacts for future cooperation.

Giniyat Kenzhegaliev

Chief Engineer
Uralvodproject Ltd.
Uralsk, Kazakhstan

Mr. Kenzhegaliev is the Chief Engineer at the private company "Uralvodproject, Ltd.", which provides the design, construction and installation of plumbing systems in apartment and commercial buildings. Uralvodproject carries out topographical and geological investigations for major construction projects, and provides engineering services and supervisory services to other companies involved in industrial and water construction. The ecological division within Uralvodproject concentrates their attention on standards, regulations and permits. Mr. Kenzhegaliev hopes to expand his knowledge of international marketing, personnel management and water resource management techniques.

Kiyspek Kobegenov

Department Director
Irtysk Basin Water Management
Semipalatinsk, Kazakhstan

Mr. Kobegenov is the Department Director of Irtysk Basin Water Management. It is a state enterprise within the Water Resources Committee of the Ministry of Agriculture of Kazakhstan. As a Department Director, Mr. Kobegenov supervises 26 employees, and manages and coordinates the daily activities of Irtysk Basin Water Management. He hopes the SABIT program will provide him with answers to water resource regulation issues. His goal is to further promote the importance of rational usage of water resources in Kazakhstan to water users.

Bissen Kuanov

Department Director
Ural-Caspian Basin Water Management
Atyrau, Kazakhstan

Mr. Kuanov is the Department Manager of Ural – Caspian Basin Water Resource Management Systems, within the Ministry of Agriculture of Kazakhstan. As the Department Director, Mr. Kuanov manages 21 workers and ensures the department's performance in accordance with the code of conduct of the Republic of Kazakhstan. While on the SABIT program, Mr. Kuanov would like to learn about water resource management systems, techniques, regulations and new technologies in the United States.

Alexandr Londarev

Chief Engineer
Dashoguz State Water Industry Association
Dashoguz, Turkmenistan

Mr. Alexandr Londarev is the Chief Engineer of the State Industrial Association of the Water Industry. As the Chief Engineer, Mr. Londarev is responsible for management of manufacturing, mechanization and safety engineering of various projects. He develops an annual construction calendar and supervises construction and assembly works on site, as well as works on water-sharing issues with neighboring Uzbekistan. He is convinced that his participation in the SABIT program will help not only his performance but will also strengthen and enrich the skills of the 200 engineers in his organization. He hopes to find U.S. contacts for informational and technological exchange.

Serikbai Sagimbayev

Manager

Kizilorda Hydro-Geo Melioration Expedition

Kizilorda, Kazakhstan

Mr. Serikbai Sagimbayev is the Manager of the Kizilorda State Hydro-Geo Melioration Expedition, which receives funding from the government of Kazakhstan to perform research on the salt level of subsoil waters, wastewater and water-salt balance. Mr. Sagimbayev is working on attracting foreign investors to the area. Upon completion of his SABIT training he hopes to receive micro-credit financing and upgrade the equipment in his laboratory.

Mahmadzarif Sharipov

Irrigation and Drainage Engineer

Matchoh State Water Resource Management

Sogd region, Tajikistan

Mahmadzarif Sharipov is the Leading Specialist and an Irrigation and Drainage Engineer and at the Matchoh State Water Resource Management under the Ministry of Melioration and Water Resources of Tajikistan. His office regulates and monitors the usage of water in the Matchoh region. Mr. Sharipov works with water users—private and corporate agricultural enterprises and private farms—to meet their needs and improve water use efficiency. He hopes SABIT training will introduce him to new technologies and methods of monitoring water usage, as well as new preservation strategies.

Ashyrklych Tachnazarov

Leading Specialist

Water Resources Ministry

Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

As the Leading Specialist of the Water Usage Division within the Water Resources Ministry in Turkmenistan, Mr. Tachnazarov works on planning, organization, accounting, analysis, and monitoring of water resources in Turkmenistan, and financing for water usage works on collector drainage systems. Mr. Tachnazarov wants to learn about international standards and norms for drinking water quality, international treaties and regulations on rational use of interstate water, as well as government regulations for water resource management in the United States.

Nosirdjon Tohirov

Chairman

Sogd Region Water Users Committee

Sogd, Tajikistan

Nasirdjon Tohirov is the Chairman of the Water Users Committee of Sogd Region, Tajikistan. He is in charge of the overall management of personnel, the financing of water resource management projects, and the organization of drinking water supply management. Construction of local irrigation and reclamation projects is a priority for the Committee. The concept of a Water Resource Committee is new to the countries of Central Asia, and it is challenging to introduce the concept of improved services through privatization. There are nine employees under his direct supervision. Besides learning about the U.S. water resource management system and new technologies, he wants to learn about human resources and personnel management.

Abduvali Umirzakov

Chairman

Water Users Association "Pay Shobchasi"

Samarkand Oblast, Payarik, Uzbekistan

Abduvali Umirzakov is the Chairman of the Government Water Users Association of Payarik, Uzbekistan. His duties include daily supervision of 112 employees, organizing Water Users Association Council meetings, decision-making related to water use and distribution, irrigation and water fees, hearing of complaints, and contract writing. There are 1200 members in the association. Mr. Umirzakovs' wants to start a private Water Users Association in the near future. He is interested in environmental technologies with a view to efficient use of water resources and proper development of currently unused farmland.

Arman Zholdasbekov

General Director

Plast Invest LLP

Almaty, Kazakhstan

Mr. Zholdasbekov is the General Director and one of the three shareholders of Plast Invest, LLP, a water supply network construction company. The company also supplies various materials and equipment (pipes, fittings, filters, pumps, etc.) Mr. Zholdasbekov, while on the SABIT program, would like to receive hands-on management training, including how to motivate staff to improve performance as well as to become more familiar with the overall water resources industry in the United States.